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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Francois Giordano

Appln. No.: 10/531,860

Filed: April 19, 2005

For: IMPROVEMENTS IN OR  
RELATING TO A SAFETY  
ARRANGEMENT FOR A  
VEHICLE

Examiner: unknown

Art Unit:

Attorney Docket No: 12400-037

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

No.	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
5,814,897	9/29/98	Aisin Seiki Kabushiki Kaisha
5,928,300	7/27/99	Simula Inc.
5,977,653	11/2/99	Siemens Aktiengesellschaft
2 270 183 A	3/2/94	Mercedes-Benz AG
2 369 473 A	5/29/02	Ford Global Technologies, Inc.
2 370 671 A	7/3/02	Ford Global Technologies, Inc.
WO96/27514	9/12/96	Sensor Technology Co., Ltd.
WO 96/30231	10/3/96	Davey Bickford

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicant has calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

6-28-05  
Date

  
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Respectfully submitted,

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## REFERENCE DESIGNATION

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES	NO
		2 270 183 A	3/2/94	United Kingdom		X	
		2 369 473 A	5/29/02	United Kingdom		X	
		2 370 671 A	7/3/02	United Kingdom		X	
		WO96/27514	9/12/96	PCT			X
		WO 96/30231	10/3/96	PCT			x

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